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SUBJECT: 7TH SESSION WMO TROPICAL EXPERIMENT BOARD (TEB) FOR GATE

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1. SUMMARY. TEB CONCLUDED ITS 7TH SESSION FEBRUARY 26. ON THE BASIS OF REPORTS OF THE FIELD PHASE OF THE EXPERIMENT IT CONCLUDED THAT THIS ASPECT HAD BEEN REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL AND AGREED THAT THE MAIN TASK OF ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF THE VAST AMOUNTS OF DATA GATHERED SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT WITH MAXIMUM SPEED. RELOCATION OF THE MANAGEMENT STAFF FROM UK TO GENEVA WAS WORKED OUT IN DETAIL. SPIRIT FOR CONTINUED COOPERATION APPEARS EXCELLENT.

2. THE TEB COMPLETED ITS SHORTEST AND MOST HARMONIOUS SESSION ON FEBRUARY 26, ON BASIS OF REVIEWS OF ALL ASPECTS OF FIELD EXPERIMENT CARRIED OUT IN SUMMER OF 1974, THERE WAS UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT THAT THE EXPERIMENT HAD GOTTEN OFF TO REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL START AND THAT DATA TAKEN DURING THIS PHASE EXCEEDED EXPECTATIONS OF MEMBERS INVOLVED BOTH AS TO QUANTITY AND IN GENERAL AS TO QUALITY. THE BOARD STRESSED THAT THE MORE DIFFICULT TASK OF ORGANIZING AND UTILIZING THE DATA STILL LAY AHEAD, AND IT TOOK ACTION TO INSURE CONTINUED COOPERATION DURING THIS CRITICAL PHASE OF THE PROGRAM.

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3. THE BOARD WAS INFORMED THAT ALL PARTS OF THE DATA MANAGEMENT SCHEME ARE ALREADY ACTIVE, AND COMPLETION OF NATIONAL PROCESSING AND VALIDATION OF GATE DATA IS EXPECTED BY MARCH 1976. BOARD ENDORSED A COORDINATED DATA PROCESSING STRATEGY AS PROPOSED BY THE FOURTH INFORMAL GATE DATA MANAGEMENT MEETING.

4. IT CONFIRMED THE DECISION THAT THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND MANAGEMENT GROUP (ISMG) IN BACKNELL (UK) TERMINATE ITS EXISTENCE ON 31 MARCH 1975, AND ITS RESPONSIBILITIES TAKEN OVER BY THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED GARP ACTIVITIES OFFICE (GAO) IN WMO HEADQUARTERS, GENEVA.

5. THE BOARD RECOGNIZED THAT THE GAO WOULD NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FROM NATIONS IN ORDER TO FUNCTION AS AN EFFECTIVE COORDINATING AND ADVISORY STAFF AND URGED GATE PARTICIPANTS TO PROVIDE EXPERTS AS REQUIRED ON A SECONDMENT BASIS. IT DECIDED THAT GATE MEMBER COUNTRIES SHOULD MAINTAIN NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS THROUGH WHICH EXCHANGES OF EXPERIENCE, DATA PROCESSING INFORMATION, AND SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM STUDIES COULD BE CARRIED OUT.

6. THE TEB AGREED TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL CADRE OF GATE SCIENTISTS TO ASSIST THE GAO WITH PROBLEMS AND QUESTIONS BEYOND ITS SCIENTIFIC SCOPE. NOMINATIONS FOR THIS CADRE WOULD BE WORKED OUT THROUGH TEB, THE JOINT ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AND THE DIRECTOR OF GAO.

7. THE BOARD EXPRESSED ITS APPRECIATION TO THE WMO SYG AND STAFF FOR OUTSTANDING COOPERATION AND AGREED THAT THE MECHANISMS ESTABLISHED BETWEEN ICSU AND WMO FOR PLANNING AND CARRYING OUT THE EXPERIMENT HAD PROVEN HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL.

8. THE BOARD REQUESTED THE CHAIRMAN TO ARRANGE FOR PRESENTATION OF A SCIENTIFIC LECTURE ON THE EXPERIMENT AT THE 7TH WMO CONGRESS AND SUGGESTED THAT DR. KUETTNER BE INVITED TO DELIVER THE LECTURE.

9. IN DISCUSSIONS AFTER CONCLUSION OF SESSION, THE SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE APPEALED TO US TO CONTINUE THE CLOSE BILATERAL COOPERATION ESTABLISHED DURING THE FIELD PHASE IN FURTHER WORK OF INTERPRETING THE LARGE AMOUNTS OF DATA GATHERED BY UNCLASSIFIED

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ALL COUNTRIES. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR FREQUENT VISITS OF SCIENTIFIC PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

10. THE BOARD DECIDED IT WOULD MAKE NO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES IN ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE AND AGREED THAT YEARLY MEETINGS WOULD LIKELY BE SUFFICIENT. DALE

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